STATUS OF CLAIMS

Claim 1 (TWICE AMENDED):

- 1. A Hanger Hoister Tool for placing a bracket to secure a joist to a header comprising:
 - (a) a tool body;
 - (b) legs rigidly connected to said body and extending upward from said body;
 - (c) means for [holding] supporting a bracket having a heel and two upright members when inserted between said legs comprising a pedestal keel forming a base for said bracket to nest on extending outward from said body; and
 - (d) a handle extending downward from said body; and
 - (e) pedestal tongues extending outward in the opposite direction of the pedestal keel away from said body.
- Claim 2: (CANCELLED)
- Claim 3: (CANCELLED)
- Claim 4: (CANCELLED)
- Claim 5: (CANCELLED)
- Claim 6: (CURRENTLY AMENDED)
- 6. The Hanger Hoister Tool of Claim 1 wherein said pedestal keel and said pedestal tongues have a top and said top of said pedestal keel is offset and lower than said top of said pedestal tongue by the thickness of said heel of said bracket, wherein said handle has a thickness of one-sixteenth of an inch.

Claim 7: (ORIGINAL)

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7. The Hanger Hoister Tool of Claim 1 wherein the tool is constructed of plastic.

Claim 8: (ORIGINAL)

8. The Hanger Hoister Tool of Claim I further comprises a utility aperture located within said handle.

Claim 9: (NEW – PREVIOUSLY ADDED)

9. The Hanger Hoister Tool of Claim 1 where said handle extends downward and outward at an angle from said body.

Claim 10: (NEW – PREVIOUSLY ADDED)

10. The Hanger Hoister Tool of Claim 9 wherein the handle is ribbed.